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TOPIC Construction of an Airfield near Drewitz

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1. In May 1952, source [redacted] that a new airfield was to be constructed in the vicinity of Drewitz. The landing field was to be several kilometers long. The clearing of the woodland had already started. A ration supply unit in Cottbus had allegedly been requested to make available 2,800 rations per day for workers at the airfield.

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2. Source learned in early May, that the construction project at Drewitz airfield was classified as urgent. Workers of all types were urgently required. In late May, 300 workers were employed. The number of employees was to be increased to 700 after 1 June and, later on, to about 2,500. The Dresden Bauunion had the contract for the work. An area of more than 120 acres of wood had to be cleared. Seven low wooden buildings for the storing of construction material were completed along the eastern section of the field. The runway was probably scheduled to be 2,500 meters long. *

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* Comment. The report confirms and supplements previous information on the construction of an airfield near Drewitz. According to all previous report, the airfield to be built will resemble the two large bomber airfields in Brand and Wernau.

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